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| 1003 530 2003 265 Plant filing fee | 02 330 2402 165 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | | |
| 1004 770 2004 385 Reissue filing fee | 03 290 2403 145 | Request for oral hearing | | |
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| 1203 290 2203 145 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid | | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b)) | | |
| 1204 86 2204 43 ** Reissue independent claims over original patent | 1 | Request for Continued Examination (RCE) | | |
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- 7) Assignee Information: no assignee
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- 9) Inconsistencies between application data sheet and oath or declaration: none
- 10) Applicant requests early publication.

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